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The following statement will be laid
before the shareholders at the forthcoming
annual general meeting:-
The directors have pleasure in sub-
mitting to the shareholders the annual
statement of the Company's accounts for the
year 1911. The balance at credit of this
account is Tels 186,349.23 and, after
deducting an interim dividend of 10 per
cent. aggregating Tels 27,291.30 paid on
1st May last, there remains a sum of Tels
159,057.93 which the directors recommend
should be appropriated in the following
manner:-
A final dividend of 10 per cent. on the
paid-up capital, making 20 per cent. for the
year.
A bonus of 15 per cent. upon con-
tributory premiums.
Tels 30,000.00 transferred to silver
reserve, bringing that fund up to Tels
270,000.00.
And the balance to be transferred to
underwriting reserve account, closing the
account for 1911.
1912.-The balance at credit of working
account to 30th June amounts to Tels
224,835.96.
Directors.-It is with the greatest regret
that the directors record the death of Mr.
Alex. Macdonald, who for over twenty years
has been intimately associated with the
direction of the Company's affairs.
In accordance with the provisions of the
articles of association the directors all
retire, but, being eligible, offer themselves
with the exception of Mr. Meyerink, who
is leaving for home-for re-election. Mr.
Hans Tienhachor has agreed to accept a
seat on the board in place of Mr. Meyerink.
Audit.-The accounts have been audited
by Messrs. Wingham and Hayter, who again
tender their service to the shareholders.
By Order of the Court of Directors,
H. G. SMITH,
Secretary.

The interesting news has been published
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SUNDAY, 20th OCTOBER.
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N.B.-The Company will also run a steamer from Macao on Sunday morning at
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 Mr. A. C. Love, second engineer, Fat-shan, has gone second engineer, Takung.
 Mr. G. W. Ramsay, second engineer, Shengking, has gone second engineer, Kwangse.
 Mr. C. Sinclair, second engineer, Kwangse, has gone second engineer, Shengking.
 Mr. R. Allan, from leave, has gone acting second engineer, Kiukiang.
 Mr. J. Sinclair, second engineer, Tung-tung, is on leave.
 Mr. R. Polson, second engineer, Ching-king, is on leave.
 Mr. G. R. Banks has been appointed third engineer, Chingking.
 Mr. C. McDougall, third engineer, Kanchow, has gone acting second engineer, Kiukiang.

Mr. J. F. Dickie, third engineer, Kiching, has gone third engineer, Kanchow.
 Mr. S. H. Meggit, from leave, has gone supernumerary second engineer, Kiching.

Mr. J. Baxter, from leave, has gone second engineer, Hoihow.
 Mr. P. McAdam, second officer, Kansu, is on leave.

Mr. W. Elliot, from reserve, has gone second officer, Kansu.
 Mr. A. F. Lawlor, second engineer, Hoihow, has gone second engineer, Hsin Peking.

Mr. E. B. Smith, acting chief officer, Suifu, has gone acting chief officer, Kwangse.

Mr. A. Young, third engineer, Wai-shing, has gone third engineer, Suifu.
 Mr. S. Nelson, third engineer, Suifu, is on leave.

Mr. G. F. James, acting chief officer, Loongwo, has gone acting chief officer, Suifu.

Mr. P. N. Nunstedt has been appointed supernumerary second officer, Suifu.
 Mr. W. B. Paton, second officer, Kutchow, has gone second officer, Hangsang.

Mr. H. W. Parry, second officer, Hangsang, has resigned.
 Mr. J. G. Taylor has been appointed second officer, Taisang.

Mr. J. Wilson, third engineer, Takung, has gone third engineer, Wai-shing.
 Mr. J. McN. Thomson, from leave, has gone acting chief officer, Kiching.

Mr. S. Findon, chief officer, Kiching, is on leave.
 Captain P. Baker, from leave, has gone master, Tuckwo.

Captain J. Jackson, acting master, Tuckwo, has gone chief officer, Loongwo.
 Mr. W. B. Crawford has been appointed acting third engineer, Chipshing.

Mr. B. Winterston, third engineer, Chipshing, is on leave.

Mr. T. Johnston, chief engineer, Chipshing, has gone chief engineer, Fausang.

Mr. J. P. Beal, chief engineer, Fausang, has resigned.

Mr. P. R. Cumming, second officer, Loongse, has gone acting chief officer, Kutchow.

Mr. H. E. Gilroy, chief officer, Kutchow, has gone acting master, Namsang.

Capt. P. M. Lake, of the Namsang, is on leave.

Mr. J. G. Yuill, second engineer, Sui-sang, has gone acting chief engineer, same ship.

Mr. T. G. Sinclair, chief engineer, Sui-sang, has gone chief engineer, Chipshing.

Mr. F. Engelbrecht, third engineer, Sui-sang, has gone acting second engineer, same ship.
 Mr. R. W. Lord, supernumerary, Sui-sang, has gone third engineer, Sui-sang.
 Mr. A. J. Wilkie has been appointed fourth engineer, Sui-sang.
 Mr. F. W. Jones has been appointed second officer, Fausang.
 Mr. E. A. Priestley, second officer, Fausang, has resigned.
 Mr. G. Thyne has been appointed second officer, Wingsang.
 Mr. E. Campbell, second officer, Wingsang, has resigned.
 Mr. W. McGhee has been appointed supernumerary second officer, Fausang.
 Mr. C. Stanchiffe, second officer, Fausang, has resigned.
 Mr. C. W. Stewart, supernumerary Loongse, has gone acting second officer, same ship.—The China Shipping and Engineering Gazette.

CORRESPONDENCE.

CHRIST'S SECOND COMING.

(To the Editor of the "CHINA MAIL.")
 DEAR SIR,—I have read with interest the correspondence in your Wednesday's issue under the heading of "Christ's Second Coming" over the signature of "Common Sense" and also the reply tendered by Mr Nagel in your issue of Thursday.

I was expecting to see in your last night's issue, an interesting and reasonable reply from the pen of "Common Sense" to what Mr Nagel had written, inasmuch as he in the first place started to point out that Mr Nagel was incorrect, but I was very much disappointed to find only a few lines offering a very poor excuse for retreating.

From what I could understand of the articles, the subject of controversy was the Sabbath question. I would like to remark, from a purely impartial point of view, that while "Common Sense" treated the matter without producing any proof whatsoever, Mr Nagel dealt with it exhaustively, quoting Scriptural Authority on which he based almost the whole of his argument, and it must be apparent, to the unbiased mind, that he has proved his thesis conclusively.

If "Common Sense" can prove that Sunday is the Sabbath as conclusively as Mr Nagel has proved that the seventh day (Saturday) is, we have been following up the articles would like to have his explanation.

"Common Sense" evidently does not relish the Book of Daniel and Revelations and lays stress upon the fact, in his mind, that their meanings are uncertain. There may be several commentaries on these books each giving a different interpretation, but, as many as there may, the correct interpretation must be that one that proves itself by fitting in with prophecy and history. Whether Mr Nagel has got the correct interpretation of these books remains to be seen. However, what I wish to point out is that Mr Nagel did not in one instance refer to any text in either of these Books to prove that the 7th day is the Sabbath. Why then, should "Common Sense" harp upon them at all? Surely he must be confusing things!

In conclusion, I hope that this will prompt "Common Sense" to give us positive Bible proof for Sunday Observance as the question is of importance to many who are striving to obey the Commandments of the Lord that they might obtain Salvation. If it is not forthcoming we have no alternative but to believe that "Common Sense" cannot refute Mr Nagel's theory that the seventh day (Saturday) is the true Sabbath and must be observed as such according to the 4th Commandment, because it is the only day out of the seven that God blessed and sanctified and called this "Sabbath of the Lord."

Thanking you in advance for this insertion and enclosing my card.

I am, Sir,
 Yours most respectfully,
 IMPARTIAL.

P. S.—I would like to ask if the Roman Catholic Church did change the Sabbath as Mr Nagel asserts. If any of your readers can enlighten me I should feel obliged.

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The writer further states that of the criminal investigation bureaus of the police departments of Europe, where especially in French and Germany, there are complete chemical microscopical laboratories in charge of experienced chemists for research. Even outside of poison cases the chemist is frequently called upon. Cases of forgery, robbery, and almost every crime on the calendar have been solved by the chemical expert and falsely accused persons have been freed by the same expert where all other means have failed. To quote further:

"The sales of poisons in the principal European countries are under the strictest police regulations and supervision. The drug-stories are conducted under governmental license. The police departments have a list and registry of all the dispensing chemists in Europe who deal in dangerous or harmful preparations, and also the formulas and makers' names of all patent preparations. The closest supervision is held over both the medical and pharmaceutical professions and the strictest co-operation is enforced between the two professions and the police departments. The most complete records are kept, and reports made of the vending of dangerous poisons. In view of the poison laws of the country, it is commendable that the authorities have been able to achieve the successes that they have."

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NEWS OF THE DAY.

There will be harvest festival services at St. John's Cathedral to-morrow.

Tientsin has withdrawn quarantine restrictions against Hongkong vessels.

The German Mail of the 20th Sept. was delivered in London on the 18th Oct.

The Fame, U.K. Otter and Vingo, t-bds., arrived at Hongkong yesterday evening.

The Wing On Club has been exempted from registration under the Societies Ordinance.

A full report of last night's meeting of the shareholders of St. John's Cathedral will be found on page 10.

A man was fined \$107.50 by Mr. Melbourne to-day for being in the unlawful possession of a quantity of opium.

The annual dinner of the China Association will take place at the Whitehall Rooms, Hotel Metropole, on Nov. 5.

For failing to stop when called by the police, and for unlawfully dredging in the harbour, a Chinese boatman was fined \$15.

The a.s. Guthrie, which was extensively damaged in the recent typhoon, and has been undergoing repairs at Taikoo Dock, leaves to-day.

A dock passenger fell overboard from the a.s. Glenogle shortly after leaving Singapore, and all efforts to save him were unsuccessful.

The cook-boy at 59, The Peak, had nearly all his clothes stolen. He had placed them in a box in readiness for a holiday which he was taking.

The detachment of the 1st K.O.Y.L.I. who have been stationed at Hankow for several months are expected to arrive on the a.s. Chin Hua to-morrow.

On page 9 will be found another letter on the series of articles contributed during the past few weeks to the "China Mail" by Mr. S. A. Nagel, entitled "Christ's Second Coming."

The a.s. Dunstall Castle leaves Macao to-day with a party of British passengers for the Far East. The cruise is being undertaken in connection with Lord Willingdon's university scheme for China.

A number of Chinese were charged before Mr. Irving to-day, with being on enclosed property at Mount Davis. It was stated that the men were visiting tombs with baskets of fruit in connection with ancestor worship, yesterday being a Chinese festival day. The defendants were let off with a caution.

The master of the a.s. Mullin failed to give the statutory signal before starting his boat full speed to turn in the harbour on October 10 with the result that he narrowly missed running down a police launch in charge of P. C. McMillan. The constable laid the information, and this morning the launch master was fined \$15.

A Chinese Revenue Officer yesterday found a man on the a.s. Han Pak wharf with forty-five tins of opium in his possession. He was fined \$500 or three months imprisonment by Mr. Melbourne to-day. It was stated that the opium was worth \$250, and that the defendant had just arrived from Macao. Half the fine was awarded to the informer.

At the Police Court this morning before Mr. Melbourne, Mr. Gardiner, solicitor, mentioned the case of a man charged with taking \$30 from a letter at the Post Office. Inspector Watt said the man who sent the money was an American blue jacket who was now in Fochow. The case was remanded until Saturday, \$100 bill being allowed.

Arrangements have now been made for the building of the station at Aberdeen. The total expenditure in connection with the scheme of improvements at the station, including the cost of ground for the widening of the lines towards Ferryhill and at the joint station, will be between \$400,000 and \$500,000.

ROBBERY OF SPECIE.

On Thursday morning the specie room of the French steamer Hongkong was found to have been broken into and two boxes of silver stolen, one of which contained \$1,000 and one containing \$500. The quarter-master on which a search was made, but no trace of the silver was found. Whether the silver was taken from the specie room between Pak-hoi and Hongkong or in Hongkong harbour cannot be ascertained. Lance-Sergeant Willis has been put in charge of the case and he is using every effort to find the missing money. Sergeant Willis this morning brought before Mr. Irving one of the watchmen who saw the silver being taken across the deck. He was charged with being concerned with others in the custody of the specie, and was remanded for a week in custody.

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SOCIAL AND PERSONAL.

Mr. W. J. Dwyer, R.O., the Chief Justice, returned from Shanghai yesterday.

His Excellency the Governor has been pleased to re-appoint Mr. Ng Hon to be a Member of the Sanitary Board for a further period of three years from 14th November, 1912.

Sir John Whitaker Ellis, who recently died at home, was the third ex-Lord Mayor of London to die within three days; the others having been Sir Horatio Davies and Sir James Ritchie.

Viscount Kitchener left England in last week of September for Egypt to resume his duties. Special precautions were everywhere taken to ensure his safety, for fear of an attack by any Egyptian conspirator.

We regret to learn from the "London and China Express" of the death, on 14th ult., at a nursing home in London of Bin Hang-yang, a young Chinese student, and fourth son of the Comptroller of the Chartered Bank of India in Hongkong.

Dr. Fortescue, keeper of the printed books at the British Museum, is retiring at the end of October, after forty-two years service. He has had the care of 4,000,000 books, and has during his time seen an increase to the library of 2,000,000 books.

There was an interesting ceremony at Harcourt's Circus, Penang, recently when little Jeanette Evelyn Bennett, Mrs. Harcourt's daughter, was christened by the Rev. F. Haines. Afterwards there was a reception at the E. and O. Hotel, when a large company assembled to partake of the hospitality of Mrs. Harcourt-Love and to express good wishes for the future of Baby Bennett.

MILITARY NOTES.

MOVEMENTS.
The detachment of the 1st Bn. K.O.Y.L.I. from Hankow with details attached, is expected to arrive at Hongkong by the a.s. Chin-hua about noon on Sunday, 20th inst. The vessel will be moored at a buoy towards West Point.

ARRIVALS.
Lieut. B. Dryer, Inspector of Army Schools, arrived on 16th inst. per P. and O. Nore from inspection duty.

DEPARTS.
Officers on leave will not be granted permission to travel in the Balkan States or in Greece until further orders.

DETAILS.
Detail of duties for the ensuing week—Visitor, Detachment Barnett—Major C. G. Riddell, R.G.A.

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Next for Duty—Captain F. J. G. Agn. 1st K.O.Y.L.I.

Subaltern Officer for the Week—An Officer, 24th (Hawala) Mountain Battery.
Next for Duty—An Officer, 8th Rajputs.

SPORTING.

Cricket.

POSSIBLES & PROBABLES.
This afternoon on the Hongkong C. C. ground a "match" was played between two teams styled "The Possibles" and "The Probables" captained by Mr. E. C. Elborough and Mr. W. C. D. Turner respectively. The match, an Inter-school practice was watched by a fairly large number of spectators. The Possibles batted first and scored 117 runs, being 10 for 6, as under—

POSSIBLES.	PROBABLES.
M. M. Mays b White	1
A. N. J. Jackson b White	20
A. A. Claxton retired	62
A. E. Elborough c Dempsey b Turner	13
Capt. Hughes not out	17
S. H. Dwyer lbw b White	9
C. C. Clarke b White	0
E. B. Reed c Elborough by White	30
Elborough & Turner b White	29
R. P. Threlfield not out	3

Total (for eight wickets) 174
E. A. Fowler and R. E. O. Bird did not bat. Innings declared.

BOWLING ANALYSIS.	O.	M.	R.	W.
E. White	18.5	4	75	5
L. Christian	16	2	41	1
Corporal Dempsey	5	2	17	1
Corporal Turner	0	1	26	1

PROBABLES.	O.	M.	R.	W.
J. B. Lloyd, not out	46			
H. O. Haines, not out	31			
Extras	3			
Total (for none)	80			

Home Football.

There were many surprises in the week-end (21st ult.) League football. Woolwich Arsenal gained their first victory of the season over the United at Sheffield, but Tottenham Hotspur were again defeated. Derby County winning by 2-1. Millwall retain their unbeaten record in the Southern League.

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RAMBLING NOTES.

The lovely weather has at last set in, with cool days and cooler nights; the typhoon warnings are still with us, but the typhoons, happily, have remained away.

Now wends the dragon fly on her way—incessantly—the skies are azure-tinted deep, autumnal tints begin to peep, and all is blithe and gay.

But this sort of thing must stop, for one must not wax poetic in the Autumn, for such expression is meant for the "Spring time, the merry ring time"—therefore I shall be as prosaic as the circumstances require.

However, I must really be allowed to exult a little in the fine climatic change that has set in, for of a truth had the summer, "aithrie," lackadaisical weather continued I and all of us, my fellow-countrymen, would simply have "aithrie'd" away.

However, autumn, cool and benign autumn, is with us once more, and so a long farewell to the lightest of light clothes and—above all—to our topees.

And what is all this talk about a certain section of the Chinese wishing to boycott the Hongkong and Shanghai Bank? The Chinese are too well aware of the excellent security that great institution provides them with to do anything so foolish. I am told that some busy-bodies are trying to arouse the Cantonese to action in the matter, but, so far, with little success. At any rate, it will take a good deal more than the malignant action of a few to affect the H. and S. B.

The interport cricket test matches, I see, are being busily engaged in at present, and I hear that some dissatisfaction prevails among some people as to the methods adopted of selecting the players. I have it on the best of authority, however, that those responsible for the selection have expressed the wish, time and again, to give all likely players an opportunity to prove their mettle, as the principal wish is that the interport team should be thoroughly representative of the Colony.

I have heard from one who ought to know that our very own local musical comedy—"The Cook"—"An Idyll of the Peak," by Lieut. Crose, R.G.A.—will, perhaps, after its great success in Hongkong, be transferred to Covent Garden or Drury Lane or the London Opera House, whose shutters are up just now. Perhaps it may be transferred to each and all of these theatres—"You never can tell." What one may safely predict is that if the Londoners had an opportunity of seeing our "Idyll," they would be simply charmed. Indeed, they couldn't possibly have a "cross" word to say about it, except to say why weren't some, at least one or two of three, of Hongkong's charming lady vocalists given the opportunity of appearing in this our delightful little musical comedy.

The vocal organs and abilities of the Chinese hawkers would be hard to beat, and certainly no western followers of the calling could hope to excel his Oriental brethren in the variety of vocal sounds which mark his daily rounds. Both the hawker and his calls are picturesque enough in their way—and in their proper place. But when in a European street the dawn is ushered in to the accompaniment of a series of wailing shrieks, which no Indian of the prairies or leather-lunged Boy Scout could ever hope to surpass the picturesque is not apparent. Students of old street calls exist at home. If there is any who wishes to pursue his hobby in the East let him visit any part of Hongkong, where, especially if he is a resident, he will have more than he needs of calls, but less of sleep. Demands to buy anything from ancestral gods to brooms herald the advent of the dawn. There are few who purchase those wares, but many who would fain buy peace and silence, which the Chinese hawker knows not of.

The allocation of the vote of \$100,000 allowed in the Budget estimates under the heading of public works, extraordinary expenditure has caused considerable dissatisfaction among the European members of the Police. The money is to be expended upon the provision of married quarters for Sanitary Board servants, the police being left in the cold entirely.

The feeling in the Force is that the work of the police is much greater than that of the Sanitary Department officials, who, though often inexperienced on joining the service, receive a much more liberal scale of pay than do the guardians of law and order. The conditions under which some of the Police officers live is, to say the least of it, quite unsatisfactory. One, an Inspector of many years' service has, I'm told, to live with his wife and grown-up family, in one room, which has on two occasions been condemned by Government officials.

This is a matter which demands inquiry. Perhaps one of the unfortunates who bring it forward, on the second reading of the Budget?

The "Cook" musical comedy has been full of success. American and German productions. The "Idyll" is the excellent representation of the Hongkong winter, which will be put on by the same company. The "Idyll" is a most successful musical comedy.

SECOND EDITION

Stop Press News
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[Continued.]

ITALY AND TURKEY.

PEACE TREATY SIGNED.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)
LONDON, Oct. 19.
Reuter's correspondent at Ouchy telegraphs that the Turco-Italian Peace Treaty has been signed.

ANGLO-GERMAN RELATIONS.

THE NEW AMBASSADOR'S VIEWS.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)
LONDON, Oct. 19.
Reuter's Berlin correspondent telegraphs that Prince Lichnowsky, the new German Ambassador to London, in the course of an interview stated that he is going to London without any cut and dried policy, except with the hope of arriving at a reasonable settlement of all questions regarding the respective navies. Without going into the technical side, he did not see that a theoretical agreement was impossible. He believed that Anglo-German tension was slackening.

MINISTERING CHILDREN'S LEAGUE.

Sale of Work.

In delightful weather a sale of work was held to-day on the Volunteer Drill Ground in aid of the Ministering Children's League, which assists all the charities in Hongkong. It was gratifying to see such a large attendance at the opening of the sale, and the scene proved a most animated one, the light European dresses of the lady stall-holders forming a striking contrast to the many lined garments of the Chinese present. There was quite a large number of Chinese ladies extending their patronage to the sale, and they seemed eager to contribute their quota towards aiding the good work which is done under the auspices of the M.C.L. Lady May was one of the earliest arrivals on the ground, and she evinced a lively interest in the proceedings. Mrs. Irwin is this year acting as Secretary of the M.C.L. and she worked hard, with the assistance of a capable committee, to ensure the success of the function. The following is a list of the stalls and the ladies who presided over them:—Toy Stall—Mrs. Jordan; Military Stall—Mrs. St. John; Kowloon Stall—Mrs. Aitken; Fairy Work Stall—Mrs. Chatham and Mrs. Montague Harston; Book Stall—Mrs. Armstrong; Sweet Stall—Miss Towse; Ice Cream—Mrs. Ormiston; Tea Stall—Col. and Mrs. Wrigley; Christmas Tree—Mrs. Lunan; C.M.S. High School and St. Stephen's Girls College—Miss Hazeldine; Naval Stall—Mrs. Hastings; and Bellicose Public School—Miss Pearce. A new feature of the sale was the exhibition of doll tableaux in boxes, and some very good results were achieved. The prize-winners were the French Convent (first), Bellicose Public School (second), and the Italian Convent (third). In connection with the sale a splendid cinematograph exhibition was given, and there were the usual bazaar-like attractions for gathering in the money.

Mrs. Hastings had charge of a very interesting feature of the sale in the shape of a play, performed by a number of pretty children. The title was "Snow-white and the Seven Dwarfs" and the play was really well done by the young people. Amongst those who took part were Gladys Brock, Elsie Court, Joy Tward, Dolly Bishop, Willie Christmas, Cecil Maddicks, Ernest Bann, Fred Day, Willie Maco, Percy Maddicks, Eric Penderford, Hedley Day, Ernest Bann, Jessie George, Gladys Bellotti, Gladys Stewart, Edna Elson, Dorothy Stewart, Lucretia Tooker, Doris Windham, and Elsie Court. The Orchestral band by Miss Hettie James and the ladies dance were graciously carried out. The second part of the programme consisted of the performance of a "Japanese Love Song" and "Topsy Turvy Song." Amongst those who participated in the former were the following:—Edna Bann, Mary Phillips, Cicely Phillips, Gladys Bann, Amy Robinson, Albert White, Ernest Smith, Sidney Hartman, Edward Phillips, and Gerald Cook. The children who were invited to sing "Topsy Turvy Song" were:—Winifred Elder, Percy Murphy, Winifred Aspin, Nellie Taylor, Estey Moore, Dolly Wall, Stella Plock, Ada Dover, Elizabeth Sandwell, Lily Matthews, Cicely Hildred, Marjorie Barnes, Maudie Macdonald, Kitty Plock, Gladys Hinge, Nora McLeod, and Winifred Murray. It is to be hoped that a substantial amount will be realised as a result of the sale of work.

BY TELEGRAPH.

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THE WAR IN THE BALKANS.

TURKEY ADVANCING ON BULGARIA.

Roumanian Steamer Seized.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)

LONDON, Oct. 18.

Reuter's correspondent at Bucharest states that the Bulgarians have detained the Roumanian steamer *Princess Marie*, chartered by Turkey to convey refugees from Varna. Roumania has instructed the Legation at Sofia to protest and demand the release of the vessel.

LATER.

The *Princess Marie* has been released and has arrived in the Bosphorus.

TURKEY ADVANCES ON BULGARIA.

Reuter's Constantinople correspondent telegraphs that at eleven o'clock p.m. on the 17th inst., the Turks advanced on Bulgaria. There was no serious resistance and the Bulgarian advance guard fell back upon the main body. A battle was expected on the 18th inst. The Bulgarians have destroyed two important railway bridges in south Philippopolis.

TURKEY AND GREECE.

The Greek Minister, M. Gypariou, had an interview with Noradi Enghian this evening and asked why he had not received his passport as had his Bulgarian and Serbian colleagues. He insisted that the Greek note was identical with those of the allies.

The Grand Vizier promised to submit the matter to the Cabinet for consideration.

It is asserted that war may still be avoided with Greece.

GRECIAN ACTIVITY.

A telegram from Athens reports that the Greek warships command the Gulf of Arta, and thus ensure supplies for the army at Epirus. Gunboats, un-noticed by Turkish troops, are working in a blaze of light, completing the defenses of the fortresses.

THE NEUTRALITY OF THE DARDANELLES.

Russia has made strong representations to the Porte and is also communicating with the Powers regarding the necessity of keeping open the Dardanelles as neutral for merchant shipping.

TURKS ENTER BULGARIA.

It is officially announced at Constantinople that large numbers of Pomaks, supported by Turkish regulars, crossed the frontier on the night of the 18th inst. at Kirjali and penetrated several kilometers into Bulgaria. Fighting began at 10 o'clock in the evening and continues.

THE SULTAN AND NONCOMBATANTS.

The Sultan, in a proclamation, invites his soldiers to respect the lives and property of non-combatants, women and children.

GREECE AND HER ALLIES.

Telegrams from Athens state that Serbia was first and then Bulgaria to declare war. Greece, not wishing to detach herself from her allies, instructed her Minister at Constantinople to declare war and simultaneously sent a message of fraternal greetings to her allies.

ROUMANIA PREPARING FOR EMERGENCIES.

A telegram from Bucharest states that it is semi-officially announced that Roumania has decided to prepare for the mobilization of three Army Corps, considering that the situation will be dangerous to her in the event of Bulgaria's success. Consequently, upon receipt of a serious Bulgarian victory they will abandon their waiting attitude and secure their own "compensation" before a Bulgarian victory decides the issue.

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A BATTLE IMMINENT.

A telegram from Podgoritz, despatched on the evening of the 17th inst., reports a pause in the fighting. The Montenegrins are concentrating at Tuzi, preparatory to an advance on Sutari. Numerous troops from Sutari are advancing to meet them. A battle is imminent. The ground is most unfavorable for the Montenegrins, being marshy and on the eastern shore of Lake Sutari. In the event of defeat the rear of the Montenegrins would be unprotected.

THE BATTLE OF BERENA.

Further Details.

Reuter's correspondent telegraphed from Podgoritz on Thursday that the surrender of Berena was preceded by heavy fighting. On Wednesday evening the Montenegrins stormed the heights of Roguiz, entrenched themselves during the night, and resumed the battle at dawn. Meanwhile General Voivoditch's division broke the Turkish line to the East, and surrounded the town, upon which the white flag was hoisted.

7,000 TURKS ESCAPE; 1,200 SURRENDER.

Seven thousand Turks and Albanians escaped during the night. Twelve hundred Turks surrendered, with 14 Krupp guns, munitions intact, and two months' food supply.

The population wept with joy and welcomed the Montenegrins as their deliverers from the subjection of centuries.

The Montenegrins, prior to the formal entry into the town, sang the *Te Deum* in the adjacent historic Serbian monastery of Gjurgjevi Utoubori.

TURKS DEFEAT THE SERBIANS.

Reuter's Belgrade correspondent states that the Turks have re-captured Pripolje and driven the Serbian troops across the frontier.

A Constantinople message states that the Serbian losses were heavy and included rifles, ammunition and provisions.

GREECE DECLARES WAR.

Greece has declared war, and the Ministers of the Balkan States have left Constantinople.

COMMENDATORE MARCONI'S MISFORTUNE.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.) LONDON, Oct. 18.

Commendatore G. Marconi, of wireless telegraphy fame, has had his right eye removed as a result of his motor accident in Italy on September 26th.

A SUFFRAGETTE DEMONSTRATION.

EXTRAORDINARY REMARKS.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)

LONDON, Oct. 18.

At a Suffragette demonstration at the Albert Hall, Mrs. Pankhurst, referring to Mr. and Mrs. Pethick Lawrence, said the movement was strengthened now that they were free. She advised suffragettes to work as they thought best, and urged the audience to break windows and attack the sacred idol of property. She concluded by declaiming "I incite the meeting to rebellion!"

IRISH POSTAL ADMINISTRATION.

AMENDMENT REJECTED.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)

LONDON, Oct. 18.

The House of Commons rejected, by 279 votes to 200, the Unionist amendment to the Home Rule Bill, for retaining the Irish postal administration under the Imperial Government.

The Right Hon. Herbert Samuel, Postmaster General, dwelt on the loss sustained by the Irish Post Office, and asked the Unionists if they would tell the British taxpayers that the loss without Home Rule would increase fivefold within the next 20 years.

Mr. Bonar Law declared that if Ireland chose to be a separate Colony the Unionist Government's first duty would be to her own people, and Ireland after.

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MR. ASQUITH ILL.

OPERATION NECESSARY.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)

LONDON, Oct. 19.

Mr. Asquith, the Prime Minister, is suffering from an inflammatory growth in the shoulder, and will probably be operated upon during the week-end.

HOME RACING.

RESULT OF THE MIDDLE PARK PLATE.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)

LONDON, Oct. 19.

The Result of the Middle Park Plate, run at Newmarket yesterday, was as follows:

Mr. C. Bower Esq.'s Craganour 1

Mr. E. Hulton's Shogun 2

Mr. W. Raphael's Louvois 3

The Betting was 11 to 8 against Craganour, 100 to 15 against Shogun, and 5 to 1 against Louvois.

Seven ran. Three lengths between first and second, the same between second and third.

(Note.—The Middle Park Plate (1000 Sovs. added to a sweepstakes of 30 sovs. each) is for two-year-olds, colts & 8 st. 10 lb., fillies and geldings 8 st. 7 lb. The distance is six furlongs.)

Craganour is a bay colt by Desmond out of Veneration II. Shogun is a chestnut colt by Santal out of Kendal Belle, and Louvois a bay colt by Linglass—St. Leger.

Last year's result was Absurd, Sweeper 11 and White Star, and previous winners 1911 to 1910 were Petty Polly, Jardy, Flax, Calvini, Leslie, Bayardo, Lemberg and Burrow.

The Middle Park Plate is especially interesting because it brings out the best of the year's two-year-olds at the end of the season, and gives some indication of what will eventually run in the next year's Derby.—E.C.M.]

LATEST BETTING ON THE CAMBRIDGESHIRE STAKES.

LONDON, Oct. 18.

The latest betting to hand on the Cambridgeshire Stakes (run at Newmarket on 30th inst.) is:—

10 to 1 against Polkerris and Lance

Chest.

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Grammont.

30 to 1 William.

100 to 3 Saucy Vixen.

BRITISH OFFICIAL APPOINTMENT.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)

LONDON, Oct. 19.

It is understood that Sir Conyngham Greene, K.C.B., now British Ambassador at Copenhagen, has been appointed Ambassador at Tokio.

TURKEY AND TRIPOLI.

AUTONOMY AND AN AMNESTY GRANTED.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)

LONDON, Oct. 18.

Irades have been issued granting autonomy in Tripoli and an amnesty to the Yemen rebel chief, Saidi Dria, and his followers.

OBSTRUCTING A POLICEMAN.

Portuguese Fined.

Before Mr. Irving at the Magistrate's Court this morning a Chinese was charged with selling cigarettes without a licence and with assaulting Indian Police Sergeant 529. In connection with the same case a Portuguese named J. M. Souza was charged with obstructing the sergeant whilst in the execution of his duty. It appeared that whilst the sergeant was arresting the first man, the second defendant interfered, and obstructed the sergeant. Souza afterwards went to the Police Station to inquire about bail for the first man and he was then charged by the sergeant. The affair occurred in Des Voeux road, where the Chinese had a stall near the gas works. His Worship fined the hawker \$5 on each charge, or one month, and the Portuguese was fined \$25 or one month.

GUILTY: BUT DISCHARGED.

At the Marine Magistrate's Court this morning Captain V. Graves, of the *S.S. Glanville*, was summoned on the information of Mr. H. Craig, Deputy Shipping Master, for unlawfully killing by report the death of a Chinese passenger, which occurred on his ship on the 24th July.

Mr. Craig said information was received by the Officer of the death of a Chinese passenger on the ship. Defendant admitted his boy took at the Marconi Marine office, and the ship's doctor gave a certificate, which was sent to the Yangtze Hospital. When he got the book back he forgot to enter the occurrence.

Defendant pleaded guilty, but was let off with a caution.

"THE COOK."

Successful First Night Performance.

The Chinese cook has formed the subject for poems, songs and jests innumerable, but rarely have his wiles and eccentricities been so amusingly portrayed as in Lieut. Crocote's new one-act musical comedy, "The Cook; an idyll of the Peak" with Hongkong made first acquaintance last evening at the Theatre Royal. With the knowledge of the author's success as an entertainer in mind, the audience went prepared for a meeting good, but that what they saw and heard exceeded their expectations was evident from the unqualified approval which was expressed, and the hearty and spontaneous calls of "author," which went up as soon as the curtain fell. As we predicted in a fore-notice of the comedy, it achieved an instant popularity. Judging from the way it was received, if the author chooses to stage it elsewhere in the Far East in a slightly altered form, should enjoy more than a local reputation. As was indicated in yesterday's notice, the comedy is of quite a simple nature so far as the plot is concerned, but this gives no drawback, as the audience is entertained all through by humorous songs, full of clever local hits; the dialogue is bright and sparkling with wit, and the climax is as good as one could wish for. In the composition of the music the author has been equally successful, and he was fortunate in securing the assistance of Bandmaster Moss in the orchestration. "The Cook" abounds in songs and choruses which are light and catchy, and thus fulfils one of the principal essentials to the success of any musical play. Only one number, the "box" song, struck one as being a trifle weak. The concluding song by the Cook, sung in typically Chinese style to the accompaniment of an imitation of a native orchestra, is one of the cleverest numbers of the piece, and certainly one of the most humorous impersonations which has been given on the Hongkong stage.

Briefly outlined, the story tells of the wiles of a "number one piece" Chinese cook who follows up a disappearing trick with the silver of the regimental mess, whose kitchen he adorns, by successfully undertaking the cooking simultaneously for most of the officers of the regiment. Brai, the most youthful member of the mess, who alone knows him by sight, induces him to return to cook a dinner at which an inspecting officer is being entertained, and this leads to the discovery of his artful scheme.

A novel feature of the comedy is that it is enacted entirely by men, the piece being quite independent of the feminine element, the whole of the dialogue, taking place in the mess of a crack regiment. Regarding the pre-entertainment last evening, it can truthfully be said that there were few touches about the acting which marked it as the work of amateurs, the dialogue being generally delivered in a manner which was natural and convincing. The songs and choruses, too, were good, the clear enunciation being a pleasing feature.

The title role of Ah-Luk does not give its impersonator much work, as he appears only towards the end of the piece, but so cleverly and judiciously does he treat the part that Lieut. Wellman made it the feature of the piece. His make up was extremely good and both his quaint pigskin English attire and manner were excellent. Major Barrett assumed the role of the mess president very ably. As Captain Dandy, a simple good-hearted soldier with "heaps of money but duced little brain"—a drawl and an eyeglass—Mr. Williams undertook the responsible task of providing much of the humour of the piece, and keeping this element going. As to speak, between the musical numbers, and right well he fulfilled it. Mr. Jones as Major Bonner, the keen sportsman of few words, and Captain Wyndyard, a capacious captain, both were very successful in their respective parts, and Captain Strimshire as Lieut. O'Brien, a man given to good words and indeed most of the work of the mess, was very convincing. Mr. Kirkpatrick's make up as Zhan Bux an Indian mess waiter, was exceedingly good. The part of Lieut. Finley "the Brat" full of spirit and, as the programme directed it, a martyr to a fatal hemorrhage, was in the excellent hands of Lieut. Lewis, who put just the amount of vigour into his acting necessary to its success.

The production and stage management were undertaken by Captain Agn and Captain Boulton, both of whom deserve hearty congratulations. The R.F.V.L.I. orchestra under Bandmaster Moss gave an excellent rendering of the music, though their playing was a trifle too loud at times.

The piece was preceded by an excellent variety entertainment provided by the amateurs who ran the Mount Austin military theatre, with much success in the past summer. A clever gymnastic and acrobatic display by The Englands was followed by humorous songs by Mr. H. West, who as an encore to the catchy and humorous ditty "The Spaniard" gave a clever character rendering of George Lashwood's song "Playing the Game in the West." The cantabile dance of Captain Strimshire, Lieut. Crocote and Lieut. Kirkpatrick was again very popular, and Musical Mac made a great hit with his scenic instrumental music. The Hon. Chud Severn's songs, with their catchy refrains, were as well received as ever, the audience demanding an encore to "Maidie." Mrs. Seofield gave a very artistic rendering of "I'll Be in it" and responded with "Annie Laurie" to a demand for an encore.

The performance will be repeated this evening.

The piece was excellently staged, the fund being by Messrs. Lewis, Crawford and Co.

The Church Body of the China Congregational Church in Hongkong, having agreed to acquire the land and building (Inland Lot 1224), now registered in the name of the *Anglo-Siam* Band of Commissioners for Foreign Missions, which have since the completion of the building been occupied by the Congregational Church, desire to incorporate for that purpose, and in order to enable them to regulate the membership and other matters relating to the Church, and with these objects, are proposing a Bill.

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Hongkong, October 17, 1912.

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Notices to Consignees.

TOYO KISEN KAISHA.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES

FROM SAN FRANCISCO, via HONGKONG.

THE Steamship

NIPPON MARU.

The above named steamer having arrived, Consignees of Cargo are hereby notified to send in their Bills of Lading or counter-receipts, and to take immediate delivery of cargo from aboard.

Cargo remaining undelivered on TUESDAY, Oct. 22nd, at 4 p.m. will be landed at Consignees' risk and expense and delivery must then be taken from Company's Godown.

No claims will be entertained which are not presented at the time of delivery.

No claim will be recognized after the Goods have left the Steamer or Godown, and all claims remaining undelivered on FRIDAY, 25th Oct., at 11 a.m. will be subject to rent and landing charges.

All claims and otherwise damaged cargo to be left on board or in Godown, examination of same to be held on SATURDAY, 26th October.

All claims must be filed on or before 1st November, otherwise they will not be recognized.

S. MORIMOTO,

Agent.

Hongkong, October 18, 1912.

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NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD, BREMEN.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

THE Steamship

FRIEDRICH FRIEDRICH.

Having arrived, Consignees of cargo are hereby informed that the Goods, with the exception of Opium, Tobacco and other articles being landed and stored at Godown into the Godown of the Hongkong and Shanghai Wharf and Godown Company, Limited, London & West Point Godown, whence delivery may be made.

Optional Cargo will be forward on unless intimation is received from the Consignee before Noon. To-day requesting it to be landed here.

Claims will be admitted after the goods have left the Godown, and all goods remaining undelivered after the 23rd of October will be subject to rent.

All Broken, Chafed, and Damaged Goods are to be left in the Godown, where they will be examined on the 23rd of October, at 2.30 p.m.

All claims must reach us before the 30th of October, 1912, or they will not be recognized.

No Fire Insurance will be effected.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by the Undersigned.

NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD, BREMEN.

General Agents.

Hongkong, October 16, 1912.

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BARBER LINE OF STEAMERS.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

THE S.S. MUNCASTER CASTLE.

FROM NEW YORK.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo are hereby informed that all Goods are being landed at their risk into the Godown of the Hongkong and Shanghai Wharf and Godown Company, Ltd., at Kowloon, whence delivery may be made.

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